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HANFORD INFORMATION GOES ON THE INTERNET

Would you like to find information about Hanford without leaving your home or office? If so, that's now possible if you have a computer and Internet access because the Hanford Site now has a Homepage on the World Wide Web. Placing information on the Internet reduces costs at Hanford because duplicating and printing expenses are less, and distribution costs are minimized.

"We are really pleased to have our Homepage on the Internet as another convenient way for our stakeholders to find information about Hanford. This contributes measurably to achieving Secretary O'Leary's Openness Initiative. To date we average about 43,000 accesses to our Homepage each month," said Karen Randolph, Director, Office of External Affairs at DOE's Richland Operations Office.

The DOE Homepage now has information on programs such as tank farm characterization, spent nuclear fuel, facility transition, and much more. The DOE Homepage also links to a database of declassified documents called OpenNet. Opennet, which is operated by DOE-HQ, has a listing of the names, authors, and locations of all of the declassified documents in the DOE Complex.

"Although Hanford's presence on the Internet is fairly new, we intend to put more of our major programs on the Homepage to increase availability of information to the public and our stakeholders," said Randolph. The Homepage is also connected with DOE-HQ to allow browsers the opportunity to find subjects of interest throughout the DOE Complex.

For the convenience of the public and reporters who want additional information, Hanford public affairs contacts are listed along with their e:mail addresses. The Hanford Homepage address, <http://www.hanford.gov>, is also an excellent reference for students and others interested in doing research on DOE's programs.

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